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IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1 and 2 without prejudice or disclaimer and amend the claims as follows.

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- 3. (Currently Amended) A process according to claim <u>24</u> 2, wherein the glue is activated before joining the tenon with the groove.
- 4. (Currently Amended) The guiding means according to claim <u>17</u> +, wherein the first fitting clearance is in the range 0.1 1 mm, while the second, guiding, fitting clearance is in the range 0.01 0.2 mm.
- 5. (Currently Amended) The guiding means according to claim $\underline{17}$ +, wherein the first fitting clearance is in the range of 0.1 0.5 mm and the second fitting clearance is in the range of 0.02 0.1 mm.
- 6. (Currently Amended) The guiding means according to claim $\underline{17}$ +, wherein the first fitting clearance is in the range 0.1 0.5 mm, while the second, guiding, fitting clearance is in the range 0.01 0.1 mm.
- 7. (Currently Amended) The guiding means according to claim <u>17</u> +, comprising a plurality of guiding wedges, wherein the guiding wedges are arranged perpendicular to the extension of the joint.

- 8. (Currently Amended) The guiding means according to claim 17 +, comprising a plurality of guiding wedges, wherein the guiding wedges are arranged parallel to the extension of the joint.
- 9. (Currently Amended) The guiding means according to claim <u>17</u> +, wherein the guiding means forms a part of boards intended to, together form a floor, whereby a core of the boards is constituted by a fibre board or a particle board and that at least <u>said</u> an upper <u>surface</u> side of the board is constituted by a decorative thermosetting laminate.



- 10. (Currently Amended) The guiding means according to claim 23 2, wherein the guiding means forms a part of boards intended to, together form a floor, whereby a core of the boards is constituted by a fibre board or a particle board and that at least said an upper surface side of the board is constituted by a decorative thermosetting laminate.
- 11. (Currently Amended) The guiding means according to claim 3, wherein erein the guiding means forms a part of boards intended to, together form a floor, whereby a core of the boards is constituted by a fibre board or a particle board and that at least <u>said</u> an upper <u>surface</u> side of the board is constituted by a decorative thermosetting laminate.
- 12. (Currently Amended) The guiding means according to claim 4, wherein the guiding means forms a part of boards intended to, together form a floor, whereby a core of the boards is constituted by a fibre board or a particle board and that at least said an upper surface side of the board is constituted by a decorative thermosetting laminate.
- 13. (Currently Amended) The guiding means according to claim 5, wherein the guiding means forms a part of boards intended to, together form a floor, whereby a core of the boards is constituted by a fibre board or a particle board and that at least said an upper surface side of the board is constituted by a decorative thermosetting laminate.

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- 14. (Currently Amended) The guiding means according to claim 6, wherein the guiding means forms a part of boards intended to, together form a floor, whereby a core of the boards is constituted by a fibre board or a particle board and that at least said an upper surface side of the board is constituted by a decorative thermosetting laminate.
- 15. (Currently Amended) The guiding means according to claim 7, wherein the guiding means forms a part of boards intended to, together form a floor, whereby a core of the boards is constituted by a fibre board or a particle board and that at least said an upper surface side of the board is constituted by a decorative thermosetting laminate.
- 16. (Currently Amended) The guiding means according to claim 8, wherein the guiding means forms a part of boards intended to, together form a floor, whereby a core of the boards is constituted by a fibre board or a particle board and that at least said an upper surface side of the board is constituted by a decorative thermosetting laminate.
- 17. (New) A guiding means at a joint between adjacent boards, said boards comprising an upper surface, and a core, and bounded by edges, at least one of said edges comprising a groove or tenon, said groove or tenon comprising guiding wedges, wherein a fitting clearance between the tenon of a first of said boards and a groove of the adjacent board includes a first fitting clearance, the first fitting clearance being bounded by a distal end of the tenon and a proximal part of the groove, and a second, guiding, fitting clearance, which second, guiding fitting clearance being bounded by, on at least one side, said guiding wedge, whereby the first fitting clearance comprises a main part of a fit of the joint and the second, guiding, fitting clearance comprises a smaller part of the fit, and said guiding wedge comprises a distal angled surface and a section extending from said distal angled section to said core.
- 18. (New) The guiding means according to claim 17, wherein said guiding wedge consists of a distal angled surface and a section extending from said distal angled section to said core.



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19. (New) A surface comprising:

a first board comprising an upper surface and a core, and bounded by edges, at least one of the edges comprising a groove; in combination with

a second board comprising an upper surface and a core, and bounded by edges, at least one of the edges comprising a tenon;

at least one of the groove of the first board and the tenon of the second board comprising a guiding wedge, the guiding wedge comprising a distal angled surface and a section extending from the distal angled section to the core.

- 20. (New) The surface of claim 19, wherein the combination of the first board and the second board defines at least one fitting clearances.
- 21. (New) The surface of claim 20, further comprising glue, disposed inside the at least one fitting clearance.
- 22. (New) The surface of claim 19, further comprising glue, disposed between the groove of the first board and the tenon of the second board.
- 23. (New) A process for forming a joint between adjacent boards, said boards comprising an upper surface and a core, and bounded by edges, at least one of said edges comprising a groove or tenon intended to be joined by means of glue, wherein a fitting clearance between the tenon and the groove includes a first fitting clearance, the first fitting clearance being bounded by a distal end of the tenon and a proximal part of the groove, and a second, guiding, fitting clearance, which second, guiding fitting clearance being bounded by, on at least one side, a guiding wedge, whereby the first fitting clearance comprises a main part of a fit of the joint and the second, guiding, fitting clearance comprises a smaller part of the fit, said guiding wedge comprises a distal angled surface and a section extending from said distal angled section to said core, said process comprising assembling the adjacent boards to form said joint.



24. (New) The process of claim 23, further comprising applying glue during manufacturing of said guiding wedge.



25. (New) The process of claim 23, further comprising applying glue to said at least one edge prior to assembly of said adjacent boards.